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“FISCAL YEAR 2016 PROPOSED BUDGET AND FINANCIAL PLAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS”

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT
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INTRODUCTION

- Good morning, Chairperson Cheh, members of the Council and staff. I am William O. Howland, Jr., Director of the Department of Public Works. I am here today to present Mayor Muriel Bowser’s FY 2016 Proposed Budget and Financial Plan for the Department of Public Works.
- Mayor Bowser’s proposed FY 2016 budget represents her commitment to providing Pathways to the Middle Class. For many residents, the Department of Public Works is where they acquire job skills to earn a living and secure their future. We are proud to deliver the most basic of municipal services to our customers who live, work, visit and do business in the District of Columbia.
- I would like to highlight some of the services we provided in FY 2014. We:
 - Collected about 92,000 tons of trash and 40,000 tons of recyclables.
 - Recovered about 182 tons of e-waste and 145 tons of shredded paper.
 - Composted more than 5,600 tons of leaves.
 - Made more than 43,000 bulk collections.
 - Collected more than 2,500 tons of trash, debris and pollutants by sweeping District streets.
 - And we removed more 24,000 vehicles that impeded rush hour traffic flow, street sweeping or violated emergency no parking signs.

PROPOSED FY 2016 BUDGET

- DPW’s proposed FY16 budget is \$155,641,783, which is a 2.7 percent increase over the current fiscal year budget of \$151,620,156. The budget provides for 1,422 FTEs, which is 8 more positions than in FY 2015.
- The proposed FY 2016 budget consists of:
 - \$123,276,374 in Local funds.
 - \$7,675,000 in Special Purpose Revenue Funds, and
 - \$24,690,408 in Intra-District funds.

- The proposed FY 2016 budget will allow us to continue providing quality solid waste management, parking enforcement and fleet management services that meet our customers' needs.
- In conclusion, the Department of Public Works is prepared to do its part to fulfill Mayor Bowser's commitment to improve the quality of life for District residents.
- Thank you. I am available to respond to your questions.